

DISCUSSION OF REFERENCES

A: Lapp

The Lapp patent discloses a scaffold hanging system utilizing a bracket 46 placed over a construction wall and a vertical member 12 that runs vertically against the wall similar to the vertical riser 2 of the instant patent. Lapp also shows a brace 46 similar to our brace 5. The Lapp patent does not disclose or teach an expandable upper bracket 3 for accommodating various size walls. Lapp also does not allow for the walk boards to be placed near the center of the work wall.

B: Smith

The Smith patent discloses a hanging scaffold support having an expandable upper bracket and adjustments for the vertical height of the walk boards. Smith describes a climber attachment 34 that allows for the vertical adjustment of about 2 feet for the height of the walk boards. Smith does not utilize pop-pins or inner 9 and outer 10 vertical riser sections for 2 to 6 feet expansion of the walk board/wall distance.

C: Bequette

Bequette is of general interest in the art only. It does disclose a scaffold with a horizontal piece 18, a vertical piece 34 and a brace 36.